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Math 238 Final Examination

Closed book. Calculators are allowed. You are not permitted to consult with your fellow students in any way. Time: 3 hours.

Part I

Question 1. (Three questions, each worth 1 pt) Determine whether the series converges or diverges. Find the sum of each convergent series. Be careful about the lower limits of summation.

③ (a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{n^2-1}{n^2+1}},$

(b) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{7^{n+3}}{3^{2n-2}},$

(c) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(n\pi)}{2^n}.$

Question 2. (2 pts) Find the radius of convergence of each of the power series below:

② (a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} x^{2n},$

(c) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} (x-3)^{2n}$

① Question 3. (2 pts) Find the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = x^3 e^{x^2}$ and compute $f^{(1000)}(0)$, the 1000-th derivative of f at $x = 0$.

④ Question 4. (4 pts) Find the Taylor series of $f(x) = \cos x$ about $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

② Question 5. (2 pts) Solve the initial value problem $yy' = \sin^2 t$, $y(0) = \sqrt{3}$
Hint: $\sin^2 t = \frac{1 - \cos 2t}{2}$

Question 6. (2 pts) Solve the initial value problem $y'' + y' - 2y = 0$, $y(0) = 4$, $y'(0) = 1$

Question 7. (3 pts) Find a general solution of $y'' - 2y' + y = e^t \sin t$.

Question 8. (2 pts) Suppose we know two solutions y_1 and y_2 of the equation $y'' + p(t)y' + q(t)y = 0$, where $p(t)$ and $q(t)$ are continuous functions on the interval $[a, b]$. Suppose in addition that $y_1(t_0) = y_2(t_0) = 0$ at $a < t_0 < b$. Show that $\{y_1, y_2\}$ do not form a fundamental set. Give a precise argument. If you are using a theorem, state the theorem in its entirety, with all the necessary assumptions.

Part II

④ Question 9. (4 pts) A cylindrical buoy 60 cm in diameter stands in water with its axis vertical. When depressed slightly and released, it is found that the period of vibration is 2 sec. Determine the weight of the buoy. Hint: By Archimedes's

principle, the buoyancy force equals the weight of the water displaced by the body. Some, possibly useful, constants: $g = 9.81 \text{ m/sec}^2$, $\rho_{\text{water}} = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

Question 10. (3 pts) Show that $xy' + y + 4 = 0$ is exact and then solve it.

Question 11. (3 pts) Find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$. Hint: Use the partial fraction decomposition.

Part III

Question 12. (3 pts) How many terms in the Maclaurin series for $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$ guarantee a truncation error of less than 10^{-5} for all x in the interval $0 \leq x \leq 2$?

Question 13. (4 pts) Show that the sequence $c_1 = 2$, $c_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3-c_n}$, $n \geq 1$ is convergent and find its limit.

Hint: Show by induction that $0 < c_n \leq 2$, for all $n \geq 1$.

Question 14. (3 pts) Find a general solution of the equation:

$$y'' + 2\gamma y' + \omega_0^2 y = \frac{f_0}{m} e^{\alpha t} \cos \beta t$$

by first solving the same equation with the right hand side replaced by $\frac{f_0}{m} e^{\alpha t} e^{i\beta t}$ and then taking the real part of the solution. Assume $\omega_0^2 > \gamma^2$.

$$e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = \frac{(-4)^n}{n!}$$

$$2^3 2^4 = 2^7$$

$$(5^7)(8^7) = (40)^7?$$

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32.74

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